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SUBJECT: EARLY WARNING (NOT TO BE DISSEMINATED YET)

1. MINIKRY OF PLANNING (MOP) OFFICIAL APPROACHED COMATT TO INFORMALLY REQUEST TECHNICAL DATA ON URBAN ELECTRIC BUS TRANSPORT SYSTEMS FOR A CITY OF APPROXIMATELY 500,000 PERSONS.
2. SINCE EL SALVADOR HAS NO PETROLEUM, BUT AMPLE HYDROELECTRIC RESOURCES, MOP APPARENTLY STUDYING POSSIBILITY OF PHASING OUT DIESEL BUS FLEET AND SUBSTITUTING ELECTRIC BUSES. CONSEQUENTLY, DATA ON RELATIVE OPERATING COSTS OF DIESEL VS A VIS ELECTRIC BUSES PARTICULARLY USEFUL.
3. AT THIS POINT MOP DOES NOT, REPEAT NOT, WANT CONTACT WITH MANUFACTURERS OWING TO POSSIBILITY THAT CURRENT BUS OWNERS/OPERATORS MAY ERRONEOUSLY INTERPRET STUDY AS A THREAT TO THEIR LIVELIHOOD AND MAKE POLITICAL ISSUE OF IT.
4. ACTION REQUESTED: PLS CONTACT NATIONAL TECHNICAL INFORMATION SERVICE TO OBTAIN (A) REQUESTED TECHNICAL INFO OR (B) OTHER POSSIBLE SOURCES THEREOF AND IN LATTER CASE, PLEASE FOLLOW-UP.
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